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Serial No. 09/844,970 for Automated Database Publishing and Integrated Marketing System and Program; Inventor: James Savoie et al, filed April 29, 2001

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Enclosed please find the following documents:

- 1. Original and one copy of Petition to Correct Correspondence Filing Date for "Date-In" Incorrectly Entered or Omitted on Express Mail Label, with Exhibits A-E.
- 2. Check for \$130 for filing fee
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	TO: ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, D.C. 20231				

PETITION TO CORRECT CORRESPONDENCE FILING DATE FOR "DATE-IN" INCORRECTLY ENTERED OR OMITTED ON EXPRESS MAIL LABEL (37 C.F.R. § 1.10(d))

- This is a petition to accord the correspondence in the above-identified application/patent a filing date of April 27, 2001, which is the date the correspondence was deposited with the U.S.P.S. with proper postage.
- Submitted herewith as Exhibit A is a statement of Cline H. White as to when the discrepancy was discovered and establishing that this Petition is being filed promptly thereafter. 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(d)(1).
- Attached as Exhibit B is a true copy of the first page of the correspondence which was filed, showing both the date on which this correspondence was mailed as Express Mail Label No. EL548126105US and that the number of the Express Mail was placed thereon prior to the original mailing. 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(d)(2).

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the patent application and associated documents were deposited with the U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Post Office to Addressee on April 27, 2001.

b. Post Office Filing Receipt: A true and correct copy of the Post Office Filing Receipt is attached hereto as Exhibit C. This receipt shows that the patent application was delivered to the U.S. Post Office for next-day delivery. The filing stamp indicates that the patent was filed on April 27, 2001. The date-in, which is handwritten in by the Postal employee, is illegible. One interpretation is that the handwritten date-in is "04-29-01." However, an equally likely interpretation is that the date-in is "04-27-01," where the "7" is written in European style, with the top of the seven touching the cross, making the "7" appear to be a "9." In any case, the filing stamp clearly shows April 27, 2001, as the mailing date. The filing stamp is applied by the US Postal Service, is perfectly legible, and is more reliable than a hand-written note. Furthermore, the filing stamp is regarded by the U.S. Postal Service as the official receipt date. If the date-in notation is deciphered as "29," said date is clearly contrary to the Post Office stamp and other evidence, and was in error.

The Post Office Filing Receipt further shows that the subject application was deposited as "Express Mail" before the last scheduled pickup on the requested filing date.

- c. United States Postal Service track/confirm-intranet item inquiry: A true and correct copy of the United States Postal Service Tracking and Confirmation Sheet is attached hereto as Exhibit D. This tracking sheet was created by and received from the U.S. Postal Service. It identifies the item number of the mailing as EL548126105US, which is also shown as the tracking number on the new application transmittal, Exhibit A, and the Post Office Filing Receipt, Exhibit C. The Tracking/Confirmation Sheet shows that the package was mailed on April 27, 2001. It further shows that the scheduled delivery was April 28, 2001, that the packaged arrived in Washington on April 28, 2001, and a notice was left with the addressee (USPTO) on April 28, 2001. Finally, it indicates that the package was delivered on April 30, 2001, to an "M. Boston" at the Patent Office in Washington, D.C.
- d. Certificate from Mr. Fastino Alva, U.S. Postal Service Customer Service Manager: The original letter from Mr. Fastino Alva, Customer Service Manager for the U.S. Postal Service at the post office where the patent application was mailed is attached hereto as Exhibit E. It certifies that the package identified as Express Mail No. EL548126105US was mailed on July 27, 2001, and that the computer tracking system print-out (attached as Exhibit D) and the Express Mail Customer Copy label (attached as Exhibit C) are authentic and indicate a mailing date of April 27, 2001. It further states that the "Date-in" recorded by the postal employee was either written as a "29" and is an error, or was written as a "27" and is being misread as a "29." Finally, Mr. Alva requests that the PTO accept his letter as proof that the correct mailing date was April 27, 2001.

The subject resent application was deposited with the United States Postal Service for next-day delivery on April 27, 2001, as evidenced by each of the attached exhibits. The Post Office employee accepted the package and stamped the receipt with a postal stamp dated April 27, 2001, but, in the handwritten notation, wrote a date that is unclear and could be interpreted as either April 29 or April 27. The patent application arrived in Washington, D.C. for delivery on April 28, 2001; but, because April 28 was a Saturday, the Patent and Trademark Office was closed. The next day of delivery was April 30, 2001, a Monday, when in fact the patent application was delivered to the Patent and Trademark Office. The PTO gave the application a filing date of April 29, 2001.

An additional item that is further evidence that the 4-29-01 date is incorrect, is that April 29, 2001, was a Sunday. The U.S. Postal Service is closed on Sundays and will not accept express mail deliveries, therefore April 29, 2001 could not possibly be correct. Further, assuming *arguendo* that the subject patent application was mailed after the 29th, it would have been impossible for the USPTO to have received it on the 30th. Therefore, logic dictates that the application was mailed before April 29, 2001. And, as the above evidence shows, the application was delivered to the United States Postal Service for overnight delivery on April 27, 2001.

6. The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)-\$130.00) is paid as follows:

Attached is a check in the amount of \$130.00.

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A duplicate of this paper is attached.

Date: August 3, 2001

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STATEMENT OF CLINE H. WHITE

I, Cline H. White, am attorney of record for the Applicant of Patent Application No. 09/844,970, and make the following statement in connection with the referenced patent application.

The USPTO filing receipt for the patent application serial number 09/844,970 was received by my law firm on June 28, 2001. Following our standard procedure, it was sent to docketing prior to it being reviewed by an attorney. I first received and reviewed the Filing Receipt on July 18, 2001. During that review, I saw where the subject patent application had been given an April 29, 2001, filing date. I immediately began work in regard to this Petition to Correct the Filing Date. Therefore, I believe that this Petition is being filed promptly pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.1

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Respectfully,

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[X] 28 Pages of specification, claims and abstract.

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[X] Applicant claims small entity status.

[X] Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application.

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SAVOIE, JAMES

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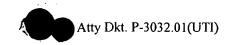
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SOLE ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I. James Savoie ("ASSIGNOR"), a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 107 Talaura farkway # 134, am the inventor of an invention described as:

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the computer program, coding, method, and related systems referred to as Automated Database Publishing & Integrated Marketing system ("ADPIM")

for which a patent application has not yet been filed, however it is presumed that a patent application will be filed in the future.

WHEREAS, Alamo Iron Works ("ASSIGNEE"), a Texas Corporation, of 943 Coliseum Road, P.O. Box 231, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, 78291-0231, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and application including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, in the United States and throughout the world, including the right to make applications for Letters Patent throughout the world in respect of said invention and to claim priority under the International Convention for such applications, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, including any and all renewals, reissues, and prolongations thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I, said ASSIGNOR, hereby assign, sell, transfer, and set over unto ASSIGNEE, and ASSIGNEE'S successors, assigns, and legal representatives, the entire and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to said invention, related technology, and any improvements or derivative inventions of which I may be an inventor in the future, including without limitation any and all applications, renewals, divisions and continuations thereof, and all patents, and reissues thereof, which may be granted thereon in the United States and throughout the world, including the right to make applications for Letters Patent throughout the world in respect of said invention and to claim priority under the International Convention for such applications, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, including any and all renewals, reissues, and prolongations thereof, and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for the same the priority rights derived from said United States application under the Patent Laws of the United States, the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable; all forms of industrial property protection, including, without limitation, patents, utility models and design which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof, and any and all causes of action thereto that may have heretofore accrued in ASSIGNOR's favor,

ASSIGNOR hereby covenants and agrees that ASSIGNOR will communicate to ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to ASSIGNOR respecting said invention; testify in any legal proceeding; sign all lawful papers, including without limitation all divisions, continuing and reissue applications, that may be necessary to file applications in the United States and foreign countries for said invention and to assign the same to ASSIGNEE, or any assignee acquiring title to said invention, and to execute any other papers that may be needed in connection with filing said application and securing Letters Patent thereon; make all rightful oaths; and generally do everything possible to aid ASSIGNEE, its





successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention in all countries.

ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents or other evidence or forms of industrial property protection on applications as aforesaid, to issue the same to ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

ASSIGNOR hereby covenants that ASSIGNOR has the full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that ASSIGNOR has not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

By: James Savoie

State of Texas

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared James Savoie, known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same to be his/her free act and deed.

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